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To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

I am filing for your consideration "An Act Making Appropriations for the Fiscal Year 2005 to provide for Higher Education Capital Projects and Transportation Improvements." This bill establishes the Capital Investment Fund to which \$513 million will be transferred from the anticipated Fiscal Year 2005 surplus to fund the following initiatives:

- \$413 million to support investments throughout the University of Massachusetts systems, state colleges, and community colleges for new science centers and to restore outdated infrastructure; and,
- \$100 million to repair local roads and bridges through the Commonwealth's Chapter 90 program.

As opposed to funding recurring programs, this one-time infusion of money targeted for capital projects will not create a structural deficit in future years and will help the Commonwealth's public higher education institutions to advance their science and technology efforts, and in the process enhance the Commonwealth's long-term economic vitality.

Sufficient revenues are estimated to be available to finance this appropriation. I urge your prompt and favorable consideration of this bill.

Respectfully submitted,

Mitt Romney

Governor



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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m AN\ ACT}$ making appropriations for the fiscal year 2005 to provide for higher education capital projects and transportation improvements.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. To provide for certain activities and projects, the sums set forth in Section 2 are hereby appropriated from the Capital Investment Fund for the several purposes and subject to the conditions specified therein, and subject to the provisions of law regulating the disbursement of public funds; provided, that notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, appropriations made in Section 2 shall not expire until June 30, 2010.

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For a reserve to fund capital projects at the state and community colleges; 1599-3748 provided, that not more than \$60,000,000 shall be expended on the Conant Science Building at Bridgewater state college; provided further, that not more than \$10,000,000 shall be expended on the Allied Health Building at North Shore community college; provided further, that not more than \$10,000,000 shall be expended on the Hemenway Hall science facility at Framingham state college; provided further, that not more than \$11,000,000 shall be expended on the Quest Manufacturing Technology Center at Quinsigamond community college; provided further, that not more than \$10,000,000 shall be expended on the Allied Health Building at Bunker Hill community college; provided further, that not more than \$10,000,000 shall be expended on the Science Building at Cape Cod community college; provided further, that no more than \$20,000,000 shall be expended on the Science Building at Fitchburg state college; provided further, that not more than \$3,000,000 shall be expended on nursing teaching facilities at Salem state college; provided further, that not more than \$20,000,000 shall be expended on life safety upgrades at state and community colleges; provided further, that not more than \$15,000,000 shall be expended on the General Academic Building at Northern Essex community college; provided further, that not more than \$15,000,000 shall be expended on the Design Center at the Massachusetts college of art; provided further, that not more than \$25,000,000 shall be expended for the renovation of Building 19 at Springfield Technical community college; and provided further, that not more than \$2,000,000 shall be expended for the purchase of the Wallace

1599-3749 For a reserve to fund capital projects at the university of Massachusetts; provided, that not more than \$21,000,000 shall be expended on the nanotechnology

manufacturing center at the university of Massachusetts Lowell; provided further, that not more than \$20,000,000 shall be expended on the integrated science building at the university of Massachusetts Amherst; provided further, that not more than \$50,000,000 shall be expended on the parking garage at the university of Massachusetts Boston; provided further, that not more than \$8,500,000 shall be expended on the facilities building at the university of Massachusetts Dartmouth; provided further that not more than \$30,000,000 shall be expended on the faculty office building at the university of Massachusetts Worcester; provided further, that not more than \$60,000,000 shall be expended on the central heating facility at the university of Massachusetts Amherst; and provided further, that not more than \$13,224,823 shall be expended for the purchase of the Advanced Technology Manufacturing Center by the university of Massachusetts

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Massachusetts Highway Department

described in subdivision (a) of clause (2) of section 34 of chapter 90 of the General Laws; provided, however, that all funds appropriated pursuant to this account shall be in addition to all capital funds otherwise allocated or obligated and said appropriation shall not operate to reduce or replace any capital funds required to be made available for chapter 90 purposes; provided further, that, notwithstanding chapter 29 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, all funds appropriated herein shall be used exclusively to reimburse chapter 90 capital expenses arising out of prior capital authorizations and that all funds appropriated herein shall be used prior to using existing capital funds for reimbursements; provided further, that all funds appropriated herein shall be distributed based on the formula used by the highway department to

SECTION 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, there is hereby established and set up on the books of the commonwealth a separate fund to be know as the Capital Investment Fund, the sole purpose of which shall be to fund items authorized in section 2 of this act. The comptroller shall transfer to said fund, effective June 30, 2005, \$513,724,823 from the General Fund. Said fund shall be established as a separate trust, available for expenditure without further appropriation, subject to the control of the secretary for administration and finance, who shall serve as the trustee of said fund. Said fund shall expire on June 30, 2010.

SECTION 4. The provisions of this act shall take effect upon passage.